## Press Release

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## **Public Hearing Slated on Proposed Expansion and Recertification of the Edgewood/Joppa Enterprise Zone**

(Bel Air, MD) – The public is invited to comment on the proposed expansion and recertification of the Edgewood/Joppa Enterprise Zone. A public hearing will be held at the Harford County Sheriff's Office Southern Precinct, 1305 Pulaski Highway, Edgewood, MD 21040, on Thursday, January 9, 2014 at 7 p.m.

The Enterprise Zone encompasses the commercial, residential and industrial properties along and in the vicinity of the U.S Route 40 Corridor (Edgewood/Joppa), MD Route 24, MD Route 755, MD Route 152 and MD Route 7.

The purpose of expanding and recertifying the Edgewood/Joppa Enterprise Zone is to continue the redevelopment and revitalization of Edgewood and Joppa through business expansion, retention, and attraction of new industries into the designated areas.

Businesses must meet minimum requirements for job creation or capital investment to qualify for tax credits. The Enterprise Zone designation affords businesses the chance to create additional employment opportunities for all of Harford County while simultaneously enhancing quality of life.

For additional information about the Enterprise Zone Program or to view the new proposed Enterprise Zone map please visit <a href="https://www.harfordbusiness.org/index.cfm?ID=84">www.harfordbusiness.org/index.cfm?ID=84</a>, or contact Jim Richardson, Director of the Office of Economic Development at 220 South Main Street, Bel Air, MD 21014, 410-638-3059, email <a href="mailto:jcrichardson@harfordcountymd.gov">jcrichardson@harfordcountymd.gov</a>.

Anyone in need of accommodations for the hearing impaired or for any other reason should call 410-638-3059 at least five days prior to the public hearing date.

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